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1. During the night of 13 October and during the period from 19 to 21 October, a total of 200 troops of the Unit I from the Loewen Kaserne in Doeberitz (N 53/2 65), south of Highway No 103, were loaded for shipment, probably to the U.S.S.R. Unit I received 400 new soldiers on 15 October. Troops and materiel loaded at the Dallgow railroad station on 20 October, at about 8 a.m., included: troops loaded on 6 box-cars, 8 T-34 tanks [redacted] 2 SP guns, and 4 trucks.

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On 21 October, the Loewen Kaserne was occupied by about 700 officers and troops. No trucks or tanks were seen. A soldier stated that the trucks were in the Rathenow area.<sup>1</sup>

2. Between 11:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. on 21 October, about 200 troops took up position 300 meters north of the Dalgow-Justermark railroad line. An attack was simulated by three ground attack planes towing air sleeves which were fired at by infantry troops.

3. On 9 October, a train of 42 boxcars including 10 with troops and the other with billeting equipment arrived at the Rathenow (N 53/Z 15) railroad station. Upon unloading, the troops marched to the Pionier Kaserne on Rudolf Breitscheid Strasse. On 10 October, 40 trucks including many with canvas-covered AA guns of about 37-mm. were on Busch Strasse in Rathenow.

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[redacted] and were loaded on a train at the Nordbahnhof the same day. The train pulled out in the direction of Neustadt-Dosse. On 11 October about 200 infantry troops and 12 trucks were also loaded and dispatched toward Neustadt-Dosse from the Nordbahnhof. [redacted] other trains arriving

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Neustadt-Dosse from the Nordbahnhof. [ ]<sup>3</sup> [ ] other trains arriving at Rathenow between 9 and 21 October, but could not identify them except for one that consisted of 35 boxcars loaded with billeting equipment and baggage, which arrived on 18 October. Several troops without arms were also on this train. The shipment was hauled to the Infanterie Kaserne from the Nordbahnhof by trucks [ ]

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On 21 October, 7 boxcars loads of troops wearing red-bordered black epauletts, 12 x 122-mm field howitzers and about 15 trucks arrived at the railroad station and moved to the Pioneer Kaserne.

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4. On 12 October, four 120-mm mortars and 24 trucks [redacted] [redacted] were observed in the cantonment at Gremnitz south of Khatynov. 4

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At 1 p.m. on 10 October, a column of 12 trucks with van-like superstructures, 10 trucks with two-axle trailers provided with dual wheels and telescopic masts, 1 jeep and 50 to 60 troops drove from Neelitz (N 53/Z 51) to Potsdam.

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During the night of 12 October, 600 to 800 troops wearing black-bordered crimson epaulets and red-bordered black epaulets were unloaded from 16 boxcars at the Kuensdorf (N 53/Z 21) railroad station. It could not be determined where the troops went after they had been unloaded as they remained in the area of the railroad station for a prolonged period.

1. Comment. The unit referred to as Unit I probably is the 19th Meck Regt of the 1st Meck Div or, possibly, the 219th Tank Regt of the division. The departure for Altruppin of trained personnel on 10 and 15 October, and the arrival of troops, presumably recruits, on 11 and 12 October. The loading on 20 October was presumably made by elements of the 19th Meck Regt. Although source's observations make it appear that the shipment went to the area of Rathenow, it is believed that the units left for practices in the area of Neustrotitz as, transportation, a shipment went from Doberitz to Neustrotitz on 21 October.

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2. Comment. The train that was unloaded on 9 October is probably one of the three trains of the 5th Arty Div which went from Altruppin to Rathenow on 9 October. Other unloadings of elements of this division in Rathenow were reported to have been made on 11 October. See These movements from Altruppin are believed to have affected only those components of the division which did not participate in the field exercises. The unloading on 18 October presumably involved the division headquarters and that on 21 October units of the 18th How Arty Brig (US). It was inferred that the trains were loaded in the Altruppin area upon completion of the maneuver of the Ninth Gds Army. See

3. Comment. The AAA units belong to the 63d AAA Div (US). The trains, which were seen passing through Neuruppin on 10 and 11 October, transported back to their posts elements which had participated in the maneuver of the Fourth Gds Meck Army south and east of Rathenow.

4. Comment. It is possible that a mortar unit is temporarily stationed in the cantonment at Trebnitz for training purposes. The cantonment quartered the 25th RL Brig which was participating in maneuvers of the Ninth Gds Army, at the time of observation. The trucks belong to the 10th Arty Corps.

5. Comment. The signal unit which is equipped with decoder stations, presumably of type RDS-1, is believed to belong to the COG, possibly to the 66th Sig Regt (US). The units presumably returned to their Potsdam post upon completion of the fall maneuvers of the Ninth Gds Army.

6. Comment. The soldiers were probably recruits.

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